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#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

### HON. DAVID E. PRICE

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, March 9, 2022*

Mr. PRICE of North Carolina. Madam Speaker, on March 2nd, 2022, due to a visit by Vice President Kamala Harris to my congressional district, I was unable to be present to cast my votes for amendments to H.R. 3967, the Honoring our PACT Act of 2021, and H.Res. 956, a resolution supporting the people of Ukraine. Had I been present for roll call No. 51, 52, 53 and 54, I would have voted "YEA" on H.Res. 956, voted "YEA" on the Bipartisan En Bloc No. 1 offered by Mr. Takano, voted "NAY" on Amendment No. 5 offered by Mrs. Miller-Meeks and Mr. Bost, and voted "YEA" on Amendment No. 6 offered by Mrs. Brownley and Mrs. Miller-Meeks.

#### RECOGNIZING THE RECIPIENTS OF THE 2019 FAIRFAX COUNTY FEDERATION OF CITIZENS ASSOCIATIONS CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARDS

### HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, March 9, 2022*

Mr. CONNOLLY. Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize the recipients of the Fairfax Federation of Citizens Associations 2019 Citizen of the Year Awards.

The Federation is a coalition of civic and homeowners associations who work together to promote and support initiatives that will benefit all. Each year, the Federation honors individuals for their extraordinary contributions to our community. It is my honor to include in the RECORD the following individuals:

Lisa Sales has been a tireless advocate in our community focusing on advancing civil rights, fighting against violence, and prohibiting discrimination. Her community activities recently have led to several key accomplishments, Lisa worked closely with county officials and other community volunteers to identify a property along Richmond Highway that could be used to establish a new domestic violence shelter, resulting the opening of Artemis House. Lisa was a critical player to ensure Virginia's Ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment. Lisa also serves on the Fairfax County Commission for Women.

Dorothy Keenan has worked with older adults for over 45 years and has spent her career planning and providing classes, programs and workshops.

Holly Seibold is an incredible example of how one citizen can identify a community need and organize to fill it.

Sharon Bulova was reelected as Chairman of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors on November 5, 2015. Sharon believes an informed and engaged community is a well-served constituency.

John Cook served on the Board of Supervisors, representing the Braddock District from

2009 to 2019, working to reform Fairfax's criminal justice system and reduce the use of force in the area's policing.

Kathy Huggins served on the Board of Supervisors for twenty years, where she has championed affordable housing and advocated tirelessly for the Hunter Mill District.

Linda Smyth has dedicated over a decade of her life to fighting for Providence District as their Supervisor. She has been called the county's leading expert on zoning, and has never stopped working to ensure her community's needs are met.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in thanking these incredible individuals and in congratulating them on being honored by the Fairfax County Federation of Citizens' Associations. Civic engagement is the foundation of a healthy community, and Fairfax County residents enjoy an exceptional quality of life due in part to the efforts of these individuals. The contributions and leadership of these honorees have been a great benefit to our community and truly merit our highest praise.

#### THADDEUS EVANS

### HON. ED PERLMUTTER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, March 9, 2022*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and applaud Thaddeus Evans for receiving the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassadors for Youth award.

Thaddeus Evans is a student at Drake Middle School and received this award because his determination and hard work have allowed him to overcome adversities.

The dedication demonstrated by Thaddeus Evans is exemplary of the type of achievement that can be attained with hard work and perseverance. It is essential students at all levels strive to make the most of their education and develop a work ethic which will guide them for the rest of their lives.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Thaddeus Evans for winning the Arvada Wheat Ridge Service Ambassador for Youth award. I have no doubt he will exhibit the same dedication and character in all of his future accomplishments.

#### HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF LOUIS GREGORY III

### HON. RICHARD HUDSON

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, March 9, 2022*

Mr. HUDSON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of former County Commissioner and law enforcer Louis Gregory III. A beloved member of our community, Commissioner Gregory exhibited the highest level of commitment to protecting and serving others.

As a young man, Mr. Gregory served in the U.S. Marine Corps for four years before pursuing a career in law enforcement where he would continue to positively affect countless lives. For 38 years he climbed the ranks of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad's police agency before retiring as Superintendent of Police for

CSX Transportation's North-End region. Perhaps most impressively, he became a member of the FBI's Joint Command Staff of their anti-terror task force in the wake of the September 11 attacks.

After moving to Moore County in 2003, Mr. Gregory immediately began benefiting the lives of those in our community. Promptly named Chief of the Whispering Pines Police Department, Commissioner Gregory is remembered for the lasting impact that his leadership had in building a strong police force of quality officers. To this day, his tenure is known for instituting a culture of excellence that helped drive down local crime rates. After his career in law enforcement, he was elected to the Moore County Board of Commissioners where he served multiple years as vice chairman. Among other roles, he served as the board's liaison to the Board of Health and was a member of the Transportation Advisory Board. Outside of local government, he served as the past president of the Moore County Republican Men's Club and was a member of both the Masons and Rotary International.

Commissioner Gregory passed away on March 5, 2022, and my thoughts and prayers are with his family and all who knew and loved him. As a Marine, member of law enforcement, and County Commissioner, Commissioner Gregory extended great personal sacrifice in dedicating himself to the service of others. I join our entire community in gratitude as we honor his extraordinary life.

Madam Speaker, please join me today in honoring the life and legacy of Commissioner Louis Gregory III.

#### HONORING TEXAS LAW ENFORCEMENT

### HON. ROGER WILLIAMS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, March 9, 2022*

Mr. WILLIAMS of Texas. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor the many police officers who serve communities in Texas, and I continue to be inspired by their acts of heroism and dedication to protecting others.

Now we are facing a time where there has been a tragic increase in police officers being targeted and killed while on the job as violent crime skyrockets across America. Last year alone 346 officers were shot in the line of duty, the highest in 20 years.

One of Texas 25th's own Hill County Constable Kevin Cordell was shot multiple times while on a high-speed car chase. One bullet went through the windshield of the vehicle, struck him in the head, and exited through his neck. By God's grace, he survived the shooting and recovered after surgery.

Liberal Activists who care more about political agendas than public safety are making our cities unsafe. Last year Austin, Texas submitted to the radical left's anti-police hatred and cut \$150 million from their police department. This budget cut put Texas families and residents at greater risk for longer emergency response times and paves the way for lawlessness to run wild in the city.

Now more than ever we need to back the blue and restore law and order on our streets.

May their sacrifice not be in vain, and may God continue to keep them safe as they work tirelessly to put service above self.